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DIARY NOTES

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1. [redacted] reported on his conversation with Mr. Spelman, Bureau of Public Roads, concerning the Cabin John Bridge. Apparently Mr. Spelman feels that this project is anywhere from five to fifteen years away. He says that the State of Virginia is committed to work on the Outer Belt in the vicinity of the Jones Point Bridge before they get too concerned about the Cabin John Bridge and that Maryland, which has the responsibility for the Bridge itself, will not be very enthusiastic about it. He thinks, and I am inclined to agree, that it might be bad publicity for us to make too much fuss about the Cabin John Bridge at this time inasmuch as we have stated repeatedly that it is not essential for access to our site. Therefore, I have decided not to address any letters to the Virginia and Maryland people at this time but have asked H. S. to contact Mr. Carper of the Virginia State Highway Commission and Mr. Gingery of the Maryland Planning Commission on an informal basis sometime in the very near future.

2. At the Deputies' Meeting the Director discussed the Loyd Wright report on "Government Security" and requested that Norman Paul, Larry Houston, and Shef Edwards constitute a working group to study it carefully and present their analysis and recommendations to him. Norman Paul is to "centralize" the work.

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3. I talked with Shef Edwards about his proposed new system on visitors' badges and asked that he discuss it with [redacted] and Bob Amory before attempting to obtain formal approval. It should have the Director's approval before it is actually implemented inasmuch as there will be some resistance to it.

4. At the Deputies' Meeting the Director discussed and approved of the proposed program of vacations and trips for Gates Lloyd and me.

5. Shef Edwards assured me that the Office of Security was not receiving any information from CAT other than that which might come through the normal channels.

6. With Gates Lloyd, Larry Houston, a [redacted] and 25X1 agreed that he could be employed in George's office at a salary of \$13,500 per annum (plus a \$300 allowance for a garage fee for his car). This was cleared with General Cabell.

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8. At the Deputies' Meeting the Director mentioned that ex-Congressman Robert Ramspect was being considered to fill the existing vacancy on the Killian Committee. No one seemed to know much about him and General Cabell was asked to make some discreet inquiries.

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25X1A6A [redacted] some day. He asked that the DD/I people look into it in order to determine whether or not we should send a team out to look it over and microfilm some of the documents before we lost control of them.

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10. Sherman Kent raised the question of the estimate on [redacted] which had been requested by Frank Nash. He said that since the Department of State couldn't work on it until the end of September it would be November before it could be gotten out. I pointed out that Mr. Nash had asked for this about the middle of July. The Director told Kent that November would be too late and that he should take whatever action was necessary to speed this thing up and get it out in September.